Pena

Dear Jim,

10/27/83

The FBI's HSCA correspondence file came perfectly timed: just as I was about to dive Lil to two medical appointments. (She's OK.) So, while I didn't have time to read it, in skimming I was able to spot potentially interesting records and Lil has made copies I'll use for subject filing or writing you further. This is merely to inform you of some of the things that appear to be interesting.

There is a copy of a detailed Archives retention plan for FBI records, the approximate title. It is reasonably specific in itemizing what is to be retained, or not destroyed. Among the officials whose records are not to be destroyed are some interesting ones, like DeLoach, and included in retention is all publicity and related files, again DeLoach.

There was some kind of hassle over Oswald's addressbook and in responding the FBI included an alphabetical listing of all persons and organizations and phone numbers in it. The individual pages are retyped, as I think was published by WC, and the xeroxes of the pages it did publish also are included. There also is a list of the phone numbers in it.

There are several records pertaining to Nosenko interviews and the acknowledgement that at least two were taped but the tapes apparently not kept. I've not read all of these pages but I did notice acknowledgement of a 1970 interview with him. If this has been disclosed, no copy was sent to me.

There is a lengthy letter from DeBrueys to Webster included in several records having to do with an HSCA false representation to FBIHQ, that DeBrueys had identified an informer, by name. This appears to be Pena and it appears that Pena never was an informer, DeB's or anyone else's. It would be positively unnatural if Pena had not been a source, which is precisely what he told me 15 years ago, before he flipped out. With some help from so-called "critics."

If I see anything of interest to you or Mark in what Lil has copied for me I'll write you further. However, the non-destruct on records has pertinence in CAs 78-0322/0420 and potentially in 226.

Best,

To be filed in DeBrueys subject file